

LORI L. SPIELMAN

First Selectman

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Thursday, March 21, 2019 Town Hall Meeting Hall Board of Selectmen Special Meeting

## **MINUTES**

SELECTMEN PRESENT:

Lori Spielman, James Prichard, John Turner, Ronald Stomberg,

David Stavens, Melinda Ferry

**SELECTMEN ABSENT:** 

Sarah Cook

OTHERS PRESENT:

Susan Phillips, Hall Memorial Library Director; Mary Blanchette, Hall Memorial Library Board of Trustee Member; Peg Busse,

Board of Finance/Friends of Hall Memorial Library; Maurice

Blanchette

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Selectmen (BOS) Special Meeting was called to order at 6:03 P.M. by First Selectman Spielman.

- II. PLEDGÉ OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. CITIZENS' FORUM [non-agenda items]: No one came forward.
- IV. OLD BUSINESS
  - A. Town Policies Committee
    - 1. Approval of Application for Naming Town Buildings/Facilities

Ms. Spielman said that any applications filed would ultimately be considered by the Board of Selectman for approval or disapproval. Mr. Turner stated that this application does not change the policy that is in place; it completes the policy because the policy references an application which did not exist.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (PRICHARD) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR NAMING TOWN BUILDINGS/FACILITIES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TOWN POLICIES COMMITTEE. [ATTACHED]

B. Consideration of Acquisition – 99 Main Street for Hall Memorial Library

Discussion was held regarding the details of the property and the Board of Selectmen's interest in purchasing this piece of property to provide additional parking space for Hall Memorial Library patrons. Mr. Stomberg expressed concern regarding the removal of the home from the property, as too many homes are disappearing.

Mary Blanchette, 12 Lanz Lane, asked how many parking spots would be gained. Mr. Stavens said one of the proposals showed 13 additional spaces for the Library.

Mr. Blanchette, 12 Lanz Lane, asked if a Town Meeting would be necessary and Ms. Spielman said that it would and that all departmental approvals would be requested as well.

Ms. Busse, asked if the seller is aware that the offer has to follow the Town procedures before the purchase of the property can occur. Ms. Spielman said that the realtor, Dan Kuene, is working with the seller and keeping her apprised of the process.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED, THAT THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPROVES DEVIATION FROM THE STANDARD PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASING REAL ESTATE.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AUTHORIZES THE FIRST SELECTMAN, LORI SPIELMAN, TO PURSUE AN OPTION TO BUY AGREEMENT AT A PURCHASE PRICE OF \$255,000 FOR COSTS RELATED TO THE ACQUISITION BY THE TOWN OF A PARCEL OF LAND KNOWN AS THE 99 MAIN STREET PROPERTY IN ELLINGTON, AKA ASSESSOR'S LOT #063-016-0000, AND NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY RICHARD AND LORI ZIOMEK, CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 0.76 ACRES, AND THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON AND APPURTENANCES THERETO.

FURTHER RESOLVED, TO AUTHORIZE THE FIRST SELECTMAN TO MOVE FORWARD TO OBTAIN ALL TOWN APPROVALS AND APPROPRIATIONS INCLUDING A REFERRAL TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TO SUBMIT A REPORT IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONNECTICUT STATE STATUTE SECTION 8-24, AND TO THE BOARD OF FINANCE FOR APPROVAL OF AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION, PENDING ACCEPTANCE OF THE OPTION TO BUY AGREEMENT BY THE SELLER.

### V. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Offer to Purchase Town-owned Property – 14 Cherrywood Drive

Ms. Spielman reviewed the details regarding this property and the offer that was received. Mr. Stavens and Mr. Prichard said that the property is worth more than what was offered. The Board of Selectmen members expressed an interest in securing a higher offer on the property and requested that Ms. Spielman pursue more than what was offered. Mr. Stavens suggested that the Town Engineer take a look at the property as far as what the possibility of subdivision on this piece of land is, just to have that information. Ms. Spielman reminded that the Planning and Zoning Commission will be providing the BOS with a report in accordance with State Statute 8-24.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPROVES SELLING TOWN-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 14 CHERRYWOOD DRIVE AKA ASSESSOR'S LOT #140-015-0000 AND RATIFIES THE FIRST SELECTMAN'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF AN OFFER SUBMITTED BY JENA M. LUGINBUHL. FURTHER, THE FIRST SELECTMAN SHALL FOLLOW THE TOWN'S ESTABLISHED PROCEDURE FOR SELLING TOWN-OWNED LAND INITIATED BY THE BUYER, INCLUDING NOTIFYING THE ABUTTERS OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY.

FURTHER RESOLVED TO REFER THE ABOVE NOTED PROPOSAL TO SELL PROPERTY KNOWN AS 14 CHERRYWOOD DRIVE IN ELLINGTON TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TO SUBMIT A REPORT IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONN GEN STAT SECTION 8-24.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT AS A CONDITION OF THE SALE OF THIS PROPERTY TO ANY PARTY, THE PROPERTY MUST BE COMBINED INTO THE OFFERING PARTY'S ADJACENT LAND, NOT TO BE SEVERED UNLESS AND UNTIL A RE-SUBDIVISION IS APPROVED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION.

## VI. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED (STAVENS), SECONDED (FERRY) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AT 6:36 P.M.

Submitted by

LouAnn Cannella Recording Secretary Approved by

Lori L. Spielman First Selectman

To:	First Selectman's Office 55 Main Street, P.O. Box 187 Ellington, CT 06029
Date of Application	
	Naming or Renaming  Town-owned property:  Existing Name:
	<ul> <li>Proposed Rename if applicable:</li> <li>Commemorative Designation</li> <li>Town owned property:</li> <li>Existing Name:</li> </ul>
Proposed Commemoration Rename:  A plaque or marker may be used on a building or facility to honor persons or individuals, even though the facility is not named after them.	
Biographical Information of Flonoree: If more space is required, please attach additional sheet(s)	

Reasons for Nomination (Narrative): If more space is required, please attach additional sheet(s). Please see "Policy for Naming Town Buildings/Facilities". Under special circumstances, the Board of Selectmen may deem it appropriate to recognize and honor an outstanding individual/citizen by naming a town-owned building, park, athletic field or any other facility, whole or part, after an individual/citizen who died an untimely, heroic or tragic death, if doing so would contribute to the general good and healing for the loss of the individual/citizen felt by the community. Additional Information may be requested. Application should include A description and significance of the proposed naming or renaming. a) All terms and conditions of proposed naming or renaming, including all financial b) and other relevant terms, must be disclosed. (Please attach) Phone: Application Submitted by: Zip Code Town State Street Address This information is needed for notification purposes. Anonymous nominations will not be considered. BOS Approved: \_\_\_\_\_